



# tattersalls

newsletter **july**

## they're off!



**S** Sydney's thoroughbred racing night of the year will be held at **tattersalls** in July when the sport's leading trainers, jockeys and apprentices will each be wondering whether their name is the one to come from the envelope at the inaugural **tattersalls** Racing NSW Awards.

The Club will be hosting these official racing industry awards in conjunction with the NSW Thoroughbred Racing Board. The co-sanctioned event is planned to become an important annual occasion - the racing world's equivalent of the Daly M Awards or the Brownlow Medal.

Amongst the categories will be awards that not only salute today's talents, but also racing's greats of the past, with honours that include:

- **The T.J.Smith Award for Trainer of the Year**
- **The George Moore Trophy for Jockey of the Year**
- **The Theo Green Medal**

**tattersalls** Racing NSW Awards Night will be by invitation only, so only **tattersalls** Members will be able to purchase tickets. All the leading trainers, jockeys and apprentices will be there to make it an unforgettable night for everyone who loves the sport of kings.

The **tattersalls** Racing Awards on Saturday Night July 29th.  
Dress: Black Tie. Bookings at the office 9264 6111.  
Numbers are limited.

# housekeeping

## catering & housekeeping

### New Athletic Dept Manager

Ben Phillips, who has been Assistant Manager and lately, Acting Manager of the Athletics Department, has been confirmed in the top position. Ben is well known at the Club and has demonstrated an excellent rapport with Members. An old Joeys boy, he is highly qualified with a Bachelor of Physical Education from the Australian College of Physical Education and has coaching qualifications in sports from Judo to Rugby Union. We congratulate Ben on his appointment and look forward to his input to the Club.

### Board games

Backgammon and Chess Boards are now available for use from the Members bar Level 2 - just ask the staff.

### Breakfast on the park

As the winter months set in and the city presents its cold and windy side, a number of die-hard Members are at the Club every morning from 7am right through to 8.30am. They are the crew who dive out of bed before the sun rises and leap into a session in the gym. 'The Breakfast Club', as they are affectionately known by the staff, then nourish themselves on the fresh fruit smoothies, fruit salads, cereals and eggs provided in the Brasserie.

The Brasserie opens for breakfast weekdays from 7am and serves a healthy menu along with servings of traditional eggs, any style, a choice of accompaniments and endless coffee. For winter we've added porridge and prunes to the menu. So next time you have an early meeting, drop in and enjoy the warmth of the Brasserie. With the morning sun streaming through the tall windows this could be our best kept secret.

### Friday Drinks

In keeping with the city tradition of drinks on Friday, the Members bar will now present nibbles on the bar. We'll put on the food and pull the beers, we just need you and your office crew to fill up the seats. See you on Friday.

### Tatt's New Wine Club

The Delatite Wines Degustation Dinner to be held on Thursday, July 20, is the Club's second wine event this year and both have been popularly received. As a result we have decided to start a wine club to cater for this enthusiasm, with Jason Hill and Lee Farrell establishing a bimonthly tasting group. We will look at various growing regions, compare vintages, and discover some of the secrets of the wine making art. Guests will include vineyard owners, wine makers and wine show judges. The Club will ask for Members to register an expression of interest and will launch in early August. The wine maker dinners will continue to grow and become part of the fabric of Club dining events.

### Reciprocal Clubs

**tattersalls** is in the process of re-evaluating our reciprocal Club arrangements, both in Australia and overseas. If you have any comments good or bad on current relationships, relationships we should have, or locations in which we are lacking, we'd like your input. Please contact Jason Hill on [jason-hill@tattersallsclub.org](mailto:jason-hill@tattersallsclub.org)

## new members

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<b>Jonathan Blampied</b>	Chairman, Advertising
<b>Philip Carden</b>	Managing Director, Finance
<b>James Dack</b>	Sales Director, Real Estate
<b>Gregory Poche</b>	Company Director, Parcel Express
<b>Fred Street</b>	Chairman, Street Group of Companies





**tattersalls** into the year 2000

## calendar of events

### july

- 4th Christian Men's Fellowship  
 8th Member's Bar Rugby  
 Wallabies v South Africa from Melbourne  
 12th Phil Kearns Luncheon  
 13th **tattersalls** Golf Day - The Lakes  
 20th Delatite Wines Degustation Dinner  
 22nd/29th Ski Week Perisher Valley  
 Accommodation-food-wine \$690.00  
 Contact Simon Forsyth  
 for bookings 9223 9655  
 27th Prime Appointments Snooker Night  
 27th "The Military and Hospitaller order of Saint  
 Lazarus of Jerusalem" Knights. Charity  
 fund raiser. Guest Speaker: Herb Elliot MBE.  
 Contact: Mr Lindsay Kidd on 9417 4329  
 RSVP by July 21  
 28th South African Rugby Lunch  
 featuring Bobby Skinstaad  
 29th **tattersalls** NSW Racing Awards

### august

- 1st Christian Men's Fellowship  
 5th Member's Bar Rugby  
 Australia vs New Zealand - Wellington, NZ

- 11th Villains of League Luncheon  
 featuring Steve Roach, Les Boyd and others  
 11th Friday Fight Night  
 24th 2 Tatt's Race  
 26th Member's Bar Rugby  
 Australia vs South Africa - Durban, SA  
 31st Crystal Pairs Snooker Doubles

### september

- 2nd **tattersalls** Raceday  
 5th Christian Men's Fellowship

### october

- 3rd Christian Men's Fellowship  
 4th Jack Newton's Presidents Cup Lunch  
 26th Crystal Pairs Snooker Doubles

### november

- 7th Christian Men's Fellowship  
 16th GST Snooker Calcutta Final  
 23rd Tatt's Swimming Championships  
 30th Optus Christmas Scramble  
 30th Snooker Presentation Night

### december

- 5th Swim Club Christmas Lunch  
 5th Christian Men's Fellowship

## there is such a thing as a free lunch

We've decided that some of our photos deserve more interesting captions than we can give them because of taste, convention and litigation. So, we're starting a monthly contest where Members can submit their own captions for a valuable prize. Our first is snooker ace John Gowran and Renata of the Catering Department at the Belgium Beer tasting night. What is John thinking? The best caption that contains 3 words starting with G, S & T, will win lunch for 2 in the 3rd floor dining room - with Renata as your dedicated host. All entries to the office, or email to [jason-hill@tattersallsclub.org](mailto:jason-hill@tattersallsclub.org) **May the best man win.**



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# travel

## the flavours of florence

If I approached the visit to Paris, described last month with trepidation, due to the prevailing demise of the Australian Dollar, I found that Italy, in particular, Florence was far less affected offering better value all round.

Florence, a personal favourite sight-seeing and shopping destination, is far more compact than Rome allowing more to be absorbed in a shorter time span...

**Sights** - most of the top spots are of course legendary including the Duomo, the Uffizi Palace and the Palazzo de la Signoria. The synagogue is slightly out of the way but well worth a visit.

**Hotels** - Perhaps the most comprehensive range of hotels for the Australian traveller is provided by Cit Australia. Of the hotels in their brochure my picks are the Hotel Plaza Lucchesi and the Brunelleschi (4 star), Hotel Aprile with garage nearby - this comes in handy when you feel like abandoning your car due to lack of parking, Hotel Botticelli - these two are three stars. For a longer stay of at least a week I can recommend an apartment in the centre of Florence.

If you find the heat and crowds overwhelming I really recommend options just outside Florence. The Grand Hotel Villa Cori is 10 minutes from the centre of Florence.

**Restaurants** - ZA ZA near the food market especially for lunch, a typical trattoria, as is Belle Donne in the street of the same name, also Mario, Via Rosina. Some restaurants are tourist traps on the main walking streets. Asking the shopkeepers for their recommendations seems to work rather than relying on potluck. A very good restaurant, possibly the best in Florence is Cibreo. Another suggestion is Pennello for the huge display of antipasto.

**Shopping** - It is well known that shoes and handbags are good value but I can recommend Pineider for leather desk accessories. At the straw market there are good value scarves, leather belts and bags but you need to bargain. We found the huge San Lorenzo market disappointing. The jewel in the crown is however the Ponte Vecchio for jewellery - a huge range there with good prices. If you

bargain hard you will get a discount. A shop not to be missed is Valmar-Via Porta Rossa 53 for wonderful cushions, tassles and baskets. We loved the range of colours at Tods on Via Tornabuoni.

Places to visit near Florence include Pisa, Siena, St Gimignano, Monteriggioni and Volterra or Lucca and Montecatini in the north.

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The **Italian Tourist office** has recently opened an office in Sydney. They have a list of web sites for Italy as well as other information. Phone number 9262 1666  
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### SPECIAL FARES TO ITALY

**Alitalia business class \$\$ special for Club Members  
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# events in brief

**Wednesday July 12. Bledisloe Cup Lunch with Phil Kearns**  
Seats are disappearing fast for the Phil Kearns lunch, which promises to be a perfect accompaniment to one of the biggest rugby clashes of the season.

**Thursday, July 13. tattersalls Golf Day at the Lakes**

The new Tattersalls Golf Club has been founded to develop events that will offer unrivalled opportunities and benefits to Members. Our first Golf Day will be at the Lakes on July 13 and the second at the Terry Hills Country Club on October 17, with the focus being on team prizes over the two tournaments. To learn more, contact Jason Hill in the office.

**Thursday July 20. Delatite Wines Degustation Dinner**

The second of our wine dinners will feature Delatite, the high country, Victorian Boutique winery. Food will be by renowned chef Guillaume Brahimi and matched to each wine. Delatite's wine-maker Ms. Ros Ritchie, one of Australia's two female winemakers, will offer tasting notes and stories about wines, winemaking and vineyards. A very special treat.

**Friday July 28. South African Rugby Lunch**

Tatt's South African lunch will feature Bobby Skinstaad. So book now and bring your South African friends to a lunch that will certainly end with discussions in the bar!

**Thursday July 27. Dinner with Herb Elliot**

Herb Elliot MBE will be guest speaker for the "The Military and Hospitaller order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem" Knights Charity fund raiser. Contact Mr Lindsay Kidd on 9417 4329. RSVP by July 21.

**Saturday July 29. tattersalls NSW Racing Awards**

The event that will become THE night in thoroughbred racing calendar.

**Friday August 11th, Villains of League Lunch**

**tattersalls** Members will have the opportunity to re-visit the glory days of 'Blocker' Roach, Les Boyd and others as we remember the great characters of a time when league was at its toughest.

**Wednesday October 4. Jack Newton President's Cup Lunch**

The President's Cup has revitalised international team golf. Jack Newton will bring it to life at a lunch no golfer should miss. More details in future Newsletters.

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(Though he'll admit you can't excel a  
British sock called Pantherella).  
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Says Vince, can't be expressed in dollars  
Nor can the necktie jewels which he  
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Thus selfless Vince goes shopping for  
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## stop press

### tatt's torchbearers

Members who we know are fit, famous and fortunate enough to be carrying the Olympic flame are:  
Malcolm Bush, Rob Leece & Harry Turner

### tatt's heroes

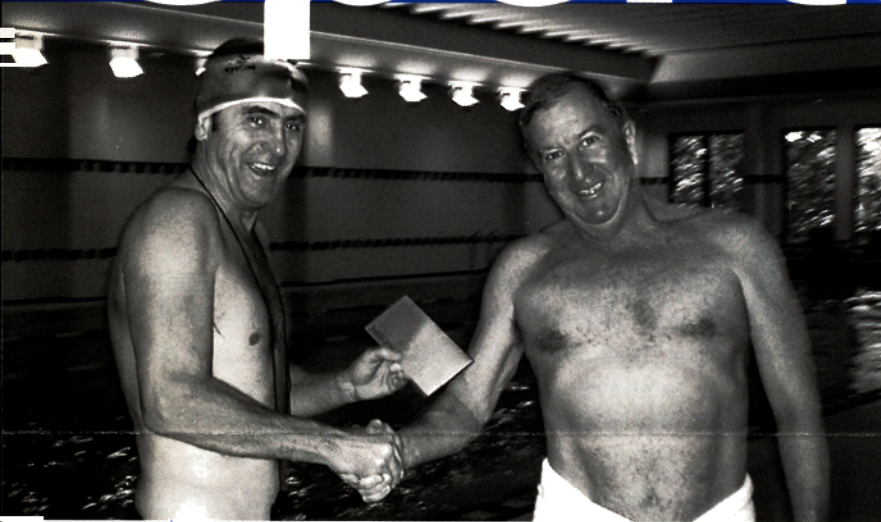
Amongst the thousands of pounding feet in April's Sydney Olympic Marathon were at least four from the Club: Joel Williams who completed in 2hr45m and Michael Stiles 3hr23m.

### tatt's blacktie boxing

Please be advised that tickets for the second Blacktie Boxing event of 2000, scheduled for October 20 will not go on sale until 9am Monday August 21st.



# sports



50m winner Peter Gibson receives his award from swimming committeeman Andrew Torok

Popular Peter Gibson swam stylishly in winning the Manchester United sprint event in Month 4 and returns remarkable times for a mature swimmer. Peter will celebrate his success with a holiday in Sri Lanka.

Swimmers enjoyed a hearty lunch on the Swimming Club on May 23 served by the ever-smiling George. Its been good to see Mark Roufiel, Peter Joseph and John Konrads at the Club and we welcomed new swimmer Peter Jeffriess who started of with a win.

If you missed the Olympic trials don't forget the 2 Tatt's Race on August 24.

## MONTH 4

### Manchester United Club Dining Award Health Award

Monthly 50m		Monthly 100m	
1. Peter Gibson	37	1. Peter Thiel	19
2. Harry Turner	32	Harry Turner	19
3. Ian Lemmey	31		

#### YTD

YTD		YTD	
1. Harry Turner	130	1. Harry Turner	86
2. Ian Lemmey	105	2. Bruce Fallshaw	79
3. Bruce Fallshaw	100	3. Ian Lemmey	72

### Col Howes Memorial Trophy

1. Bruce Fallshaw	43
2. Sheldon Finn	35
3. John McCosker	32

## David Birchell Wins Third straight

**tattersalls** David 'Wildchild' Birchell won his third straight professional fight on Friday June 9 in front of a packed house at the Enmore Theatre.

Tatt's Members Bob Sanders, Luke Morgan, Tim Bagot, Malcolm Noad, Bill Ryan, Dennis Foster, Zeke Solomon, Bradley Rolfe and Rick Glover saw Dave outbox his Thai opponent to win a unanimous points decision.

## Y2K King of the Gym, July 1 to July 31

Yes! After an absence of a few years, the King of the Gym competition makes a big return.

Hosted by David Birchell, Members will compete against the clock in a rigorous cycling, running, boxing, weight lifting, rowing and swimming format that will test even the most dedicated exercise enthusiast.

Reigning champion, Roland 'The Italian Stallion' Pizzianto will have to work hard to keep his title from the likes of Marty 'Highlander' McConnell, John 'Energizer' Joris, Michael 'The Perfect Specimen' Rowland - Smith, Sheldon 'The Shark' Finn and 'Rocket' Rob Lynch to name but a few.

## Tattersall's Swim Squads

Former Australian Champion and Tatt's Member Harry Turner has taken a coaching role with the Athletic Department morning swim squads.

Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 6.45am with Members of all ability levels able to improve in areas such as stroke correction, kicking, body position, and correct breathing techniques for all strokes.





## Basketball News

**tattersalls** now has its own basketball team and competes in the Cook and Phillip Park Thursday night competition.

Known as the **tattersalls** Tigers, the team includes Members David O'Dowd, Peter Hedge, Scott Hedge, Peter Theil, Ed Thrum, Kaz Pociask, Phil Lawton, John Lyons, David Robertson and Robert Beveridge.

The Tigers narrowly lost their first game 32 - 29 and are sure to improve in the coming weeks.

## Calm down! Relax!

We remind Members that deck chairs are situated on the upstairs balcony of the Athletics Department to relax in after their testing work out.

## Grand Snooker Tournament

Decisive wins to Eddie Crane over John Simpson, Robert Crane over top gun Michael Bradstreet, Greg Mizon from a 39 deficit over Denis Pidcock and Mike Cummings with a pink-black finish to beat '98 champ Rod Foord 57-54, were recent highlights. Seasoned runners:- Peter Twigg, Bruce Cox, C.Pearce, J. Woollard are still on the pace with ex. horse trainer Neville Prendergast making every post a winner from his home in Canberra. Neville personifies all that is good about our Club. Other successes include Tony Martin, Bruno Gallace, Martin Watkins, Charles Plumridge, Bob Sanders and Sandy Todd. Angus Mackay was unable to hold back Eddie Charlton from making the last 32.

## May Lightning Night

Adrian Abbott continued his winning ways with a late night victory in our most recent tournament.

## Interclub Snooker

**tattersalls** 2 team (Morgan, Corbett, Twigg, Pidcock) went down 4-6 in a very competitive final against NSW Sports Club played at their Hunter Street premises on May 31. Paddy Morgan and Andrew Corbett managed a creditable 3 points against strong opposition while Denis Pidcock won the final frame point of a very exciting evening. Final Standings:- Sports 65, Tatt's 2 62, Lane Cove 61, North Sydney 55, Tatt's 1 53, RAC 4.

The presentation dinner hosted by **tattersalls** on June 14, provided fine food and beverages to compliment a busy night's activities which finished with a lightning tournament, won by Eddie McKerr (North Sydney) over Eddie Crane (Lane Cove).

## Prime Night

July 27 lightning night is being sponsored by Prime Appointments. If you have sampled some prime activities in the past you will not want to miss this special night of indulgence provided by Prime Appointments.

## Seniors Snooker

Member Eddie Charlton joined a select group of older and familiar snooker identities to contest the inaugural event held late in May at the beautiful RAC Club in Pall Mall, London. Eddie gave a 30 year start to Tony Knowles, winning 60-3 in 1st round before losing his single frame q/f against Jim Wych. Willie Thorne defeated Cliff Thorburn in the final before a select live audience and tv coverage.

There are plans to stage this tournament in Sydney next year.





# expertonline

## 10 questions to Harry 'The Fish' Turner

### 1. How long have you been a Member of Tatt's?

"This is my 25th year. However, I have been visiting and training at the Club since the 50s."

### 2. What was the Club like in those days?

"Very different! It had tremendous atmosphere - all nooks and crannies. However there's no comparison with the new Club's facilities, the pool for instance, is world class. These days, I visit 5 days a week and coach the Monday and Wednesday AM swimming squad."

### 3. Swimming has always been your sport?

"Always. In the 1950s when I was a schoolboy at Sydney Grammar, we used to cross the Park to train in the old Club's pool. In those days I was a member of the NSW Swimming Squad and went on to win the Australian 200 metre butterfly title in 1957, just missing out on the 1960 Olympic team by coming 3rd in the trials to Neville Hayes and Kevin Berry."

### 4. Did you play other sport?

"I was in the 1st XV when Grammar was a rugby school - in 1958 we fielded 55 teams against Joeys and won over 50% of games. I was also a member of Bondi's National Championship winning R&R and surf team. Forbes Carlisle was my swim coach and he disapproved of mixing surf and pool swimming, so that chapter came to an end. These days, I enjoy canoeing - we're off sea-canoeing around Hinchinbrook Island next week"

### 5. You went to university in America?

"Yes, on a scholarship to Harvard where I was a member of Winthrop House. During my stay there, I was pleased to use my influence and experiences to help Nick Whitlam follow in my footsteps."

### 6. It must have been a great education?

"Fantastic. These days you'd describe it as awesome. For instance, every Wednesday 10 of us students would sit at the Economic Table where our

professors were John Kenneth Galbraith and Henry Schlesinger! I swam butterfly for Harvard and to stave off poverty, became a life guard at the affluent Pine Brook Country Club. One day a member asked me why I wasn't home for the summer. When I told him that there was no way I could afford the \$2000 airfare, he just pulled out his chequebook and handed me a cheque on the spot! "

### 7. What came after Harvard?

"I joined Esso then worked in Montreal where Margaret and I married. In 1970, we returned to Australia - wonderful after Canada's bitter cold. I joined Tattersall's in 1975 and about that time decided I would rather be an accountant than an economist, so I studied accountancy and joined John Douglas & Co, which is now Harry V Turner & Co Pty Ltd."

### 8. You were a member of the Tattersall's Committee?

"Denis Cleary asked me to join and I served from '96-'97. Unfortunately I fell ill and resigned with great reluctance, as at the time I felt I couldn't give the job the effort it deserved."

### 9. What are your greatest impressions of the Club?

"Thomas serving my daughters pink lemonades in the old dining room and the fellowship and friends. People like Norm Rogers, Arthur O'Connor, Sammy Block, Allan Ball, Col & Leigh Bowes and many others. These days, I probably use Tatt's more than ever as a few years ago we moved into the Connaught Apartments, so my daily exercise starts with a jog across Hyde Park to the Club."

### 10. Finally, you're approaching a new sporting milestone?

"John Konrads asked me if I'd be interested to be nominated as one of the Sydney residents to carry the Olympic flame. I thought "Slim hope". Then out of the blue, a letter arrived confirming the fact that I am to be a runner... excuse me now, I've got to get back to training!"



## John Coates Lunch

On Friday June 16, Tatt's Member John Coates talked about 'The Business of the Olympics' and the AOC's determination to raise Australia to 5th place on the medal table, with a team of 627 athletes. The investment needed to achieve this can be quantified by the fact that at the Montreal games, the ratio of athletes to medical back-up staff was 46:1 in Sydney the ratio will be under 7:1! An unexpected spin-off of the new professional attitude is that we are now an exporter of coaches to the world.